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Organization of work of the session

Note by the Secretariat

1. The draft organization of work of the Commission for Social Development at its fortieth session, which is contained in the annex to the present note, has been prepared, pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council, to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission.

2. The draft is based on the provisional agenda adopted by the Commission at its thirty-ninth session and approved by the Council in its decision 2001/235.

3. The timetable contained in the annex should be considered tentative and indicative; if the Commission completes its consideration of an item ahead of schedule, it may wish to proceed immediately to the next item.

4. The Commission is scheduled to meet from Monday, 11 February, to Thursday, 21 February 2002. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session; morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., and afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. It should be noted that Monday, 18 February, and Friday, 22 February, are official holidays at the United Nations.

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Annex

Draft organization of work

Monday, 11 February		
a.m.	Item 1	**Election of officers**
	Item 2	**Adoption of agenda and other organizational matters**
		Documentation: E/CN.5/2002/1 and E/CN.5/2002/L.1
	Item 3	**Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development**
		Introduction
	Item 3 (a)	**Priority theme: integration of social and economic policy:**
		(i) Social aspects of macroeconomic policies;
		(ii) Social assessment as a policy tool;
		(iii) Expenditures in the social sector as a productive factor
		Documentation: Report of the Secretary-General on the integration of social and economic policy (E/CN.5/2002/3)
		Keynote speaker
p.m.	Item 3 (a)	High-level governmental and expert panel discussion
Tuesday, 12 February		
a.m. and p.m.	Item 3 (a)	General discussion
Wednesday, 13 February		
a.m.	Item 3 (a)	General discussion
		Presentations by entities of the United Nations system
		NGO segment
p.m.	Item 3 (a)	Informal consultations
Thursday, 14 February		
a.m.	Item 3 (b)	**Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups:**
		(i) Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing;
		(ii) Report on the third mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Disability;
		(iii) Preparations for and observance of the tenth anniversary of the International Year of the Family
		Presentation by the Special Rapporteur on Disability and dialogue with the Commission
		Documentation:
		Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report on the third mandate of the Special Rapporteur on Disability
		Report of the Secretary-General on the follow-up to the International Year of the Family (E/CN.5/2002/2)
p.m.	Item 3 (b)	General discussion

Friday, 15 February		
a.m.	Item 3 (b)	General discussion
		Informal consultations
p.m.		Informal consultations
Monday, 18 February		**Official holiday**
Tuesday, 19 February		
a.m. and p.m.		Informal consultations
Wednesday, 20 February		
a.m.		Introduction of draft proposals
		Informal consultations
p.m.		Final introduction of draft proposals
		Informal consultations
Thursday, 21 February		
a.m.	Item 4	**Provisional agenda for the forty-first session of the Commission**
		Documentation: Draft provisional agenda for the forty-first session of the Commission
		Action on draft proposals
p.m.	Item 5	**Adoption of the report of the Commission on its fortieth session**
		*Closure of the fortieth session**

* Should the Commission decide to change the timing of the election of the Bureau for the forty-first session, the election would take place immediately after the closure of the fortieth session, with the approval of the Economic and Social Council. In order to comply with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, which stipulates that the Bureau should be elected at the commencement of the first meeting of a regular session, the Commission would have to formally open its forty-first session in order to conduct the election.

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Draft decision submitted by the Bureau of the Commission on the basis of informal consultations

The Commission for Social Development recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

Methods of work of the Commission for Social Development

In order to improve the working methods of the Commission for Social Development, the Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) That the terms of office of the members of the Commission will be for four regular sessions of the Commission, to begin immediately after the conclusion of work of the Commission's regular session held after 1 January following their election by the Council and to end at the conclusion of the regular session held after 1 January following the election of the States that are to succeed them as members of the Commission, unless they are re-elected;

(b) To extend the terms of office of those members of the Commission whose terms are to expire on 31 December 2002 until the conclusion of the forty-first session of the Commission;

(c) That the Commission, immediately following the closure of a regular session, will hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chairman and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council;

(d) That, in this context, the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1798 (XVII) of 11 December 1962 will apply only to the substantive part of the Commission's sessions.

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Draft decision submitted by the Bureau of the Commission on the basis of informal consultations

The Commission for Social Development recommends to the Economic and Social Council the adoption of the following draft decision:

Organizational matters

In order to improve the work of the Commission for Social Development, the Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) That the terms of office of the members of the Commission will be for four regular sessions of the Commission, to begin immediately after the conclusion of work of the Commission's regular session held after 1 January following their election by the Council and to end at the conclusion of the regular session held after 1 January following the election of the States that are to succeed them as members of the Commission, unless they are re-elected;

(b) To extend the terms of office of those members of the Commission whose terms are to expire on 31 December 2002 until the conclusion of the forty-first session of the Commission, of those members whose terms are to expire on 31 December 2003 until the conclusion of the forty-second session of the Commission, and of those members whose terms are to expire on 31 December 2004 until the conclusion of the forty-third session of the Commission;

(c) That the Commission, immediately following the closure of a regular session, will hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chairman and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council;

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(d) That, in this context, the provisions of General Assembly resolution 1798 (XVII) of 11 December 1962 will apply only to the substantive part of the Commission's sessions.